Duke of York, HRH Andrew visit Kohima Memorial Wall at York Minster

From left: late Gordon Graham, British Kohima veteran, HRH prince Andrew the patron of the Kohima Educational Trust, Brigadier Bibby the head of Imphal Barracks the First Div.

Pay respect from BCS
The Burma Campaign Society Album 2008-2016

Key
- Area of Chindit operations
- Chinese offensive
- Japanese offensive
- Front line at end of stage
- Japanese occupied at start of battle
- Area captured by Japanese at their greatest extent
- Allied supply route.

2013

[Image of a memorial]

[Image of a wreath]

[Image of a group of veterans]
Making a bridge between Yamagata, Japan and York on the basis of historical education and exchange of the different cultures to create friendship.
The purpose of the visit from Shonai City is to:

1. Link the Kohima War Museum in York and a Library in Shonai City, Yamagata.
2. Seek to set up Student exchanges between both countries.
3. Create opportunities to hold International Symposia by universities through study.
4. Create opportunities for local people to visit each other's countries and enhance understanding of culture, industrial/agricultural/commercial business as well as friendship.
5. Promote local "Globalisation".
6. **To redeem both honour** and to eradicate misunderstandings, prejudice, and wrong perceptions of both countries.
7. Contribute to "Peace" through understanding of each country through friendship for the future generations.

Revd. Cannon Michael Smith (Pastor) gave the memorial service and the deputy Mayor of Shonai Town Okuyama and the Chairperson A. Macdonald dedicate poppy wreaths at the Kohima War Memorial Wall and its epitaph.
The Cenotaph at Whitehall, London on Remembrance Day

All the British MPs and the Royal families led by the Queen pay the respect for the war dead and reflect the wars.

Think of the Country and remember here war comrades

Photos from Wikipedia

The delegates from Shonai Town’s first visit to observe the Remembrance Day 10th Of November 2013
Revd. Cannon Michael Smith (Pastor) gave the memorial service ceremony in the centre of the Nave for the Japanese Delegates.
Visiting St. John’s York University

Education Bridge Between York St John Uni. And Yamagata University

Professors and Academics from York St John Uni. Welcome People from Shonai and BCS members.

Historical Education Exchange

Imphal Barracks Welcome People from Shonai and BCS members

Brigadier Bibby gives reception and presentation
Mrs Chie Ikeda, Deputy Chair of Anglo-Japan Mutual Understanding and Friendship give a thanking speech.

Left: Japanese Plenipotentiary Consul General Mr Akio Miyajima, Deputy Mayor Mr Kenji Okuyama and Akiko, the Chairman of the BCS present Poppy York Kohima Museum.
At York Mansion House, Left - Japanese Plenipotentiary Consul General Miyajima, Centre - Lord of Mayor J Gunnell, Shonai Town Dep. Mayor Mr Okuyama and far right A Macdonald

Anglo-Japan Reconciliation Blue Plaque

The Burma Campaign Fellowship Memorial Library at SOAS Uni.
CHAPTER 11

World War II
Imphal Campaign
70th Anniversary

2014
Akiko’s Speech for 70th Anniversary of Imphal Campaign Opening Reception via Video:
https://www.google.co.uk/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=0ahUKEwiDy-CetrfOAhVrjMAKHS60AglQtwIHzAA&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3DBAWxSFzXtKI&usg=AFQjCNEUS1tsPUJJhGB6Roz78nweelBcQ&sig2=yarQTJoZEGkc2HaDyQV3
Centre, General Hideki Tojo and far right, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose (Invoke on Imphal Campaign, last bit to victory)

15th Army: Centre, Lt General Renya Mutaguchi and Far right in the front row, Lt General Kotoku Sato (Cat vs Dog = Enemy within)

1st Earl of Mountbatten of Burma

Imphal Campaign 1944

14th Army: Lt General William

Chiang Kai-Shek (Jiang Jie-shi) Logistic Route

Imperial Japanese Military Medals
When you go home
tell them of us
And say
For your
tomorrow
We gave our today

Above
Japanese 15th
Division near
Sangshak
between
Kohima and
Imphal

African Soldiers fighting
for Imperial British Army
It all began from Imphal by Y. Rajeshwor Singh in cooperated with Chris Johnson backed by Akiko.

Numbers of Volunteers from Manipur and Manipur State Government joined to hold the event.

Akiko’s War and Reconciliation Essay

Japanese Ambassador Yagi attended the opening ceremony.
Governor Manipur – VK Duggal
Chief Minister Manipur – O. Ibobi Singh
Deputy Chief Minister Manipur – Gaikhangam
Australian High Commission New Delhi, High Commissioner – Patrick Suckling
Embassy of the United States of America – Michael P Pelletier

Organising Committee
Chief Patron:
- O. Ibobi Singh

Patrons:
- Chief Minister, Manipur Gaikhangam
- Dy. Chief Minister, Manipur M. Prthviraj Singh
- Parliament Secy. (YAS & Tourism)
- P.C. Lawmkunga IAS
- Chief Secy. Manipur, Shahid Ahmad IPS
- DGP Manipur, Dr Rajesh Kumar IAS
- Principal Secy. (IFCD, TSM, IT) Maj. General Rajiv Chopra
- IGAR (South) Dr. Th. Dhabali Singh
- A. Angamba
- H. Radhakrishna Sharma
- Y. Rajeshwor Singh
- Kh. Krishnan Singh
- Santosh Shekhar
- Dr. L. Surjit Singh
- N. Ibungochoubi
- Harjeet Sinam
- Hemant S Katoch
- Dr. Kh. Palin Singh
- P Kunjabihari Singh
- Sammykanta Paonam
- Wanghem Gokulchandra
- Th. Radheshym Singh IPS
- Kh. Bhabeshwor
- Ramthing Kasar
- Nehemiah Panmei
- L Ashok Kumar
- N. Nivaran
- Joshep Longjam
CHAPTER 12

2014

Annual Kohima Memorial Service at York Minster’s Deans Garden and Kohima veteran’s reunion taken place in York